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California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection



TULARE UNIT TULARE COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT

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Information Officer DATE: September 10, 2006

Memorial Service information RSVP requested

VISALIA- On Wednesday, September 6, 2006 California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection Battalion Chief Rob Stone and CDF/DynCorp Pilot George "Sandy" Willett died in a plane crash in a rural area of Tulare County, while flying over a wildland fire.

The Memorial Service for CDF Battalion Chief Rob Stone will be held:

Tuesday September 12, 2006 at 2:00 p.m (Recommended apparatus arrival time is 12:00PM to 12:30 p.m.)

Visalia First Assembly of God Church 3737 So. Akers Road

Intersection of Akers Rd. and Caldwell Ave. Visalia, Ca.

Directions: From Hwy 99 go eastbound Caldwell Ave to Akers and right on Akers.

The Memorial Service for CDF/ DynCorp Pilot George "Sandy" Willett, Jr will be held:

Wednesday September 13, 2006 at 12:00 p.m. (Recommended apparatus arrival time 10:30 a.m.) Kings County Fairgrounds 12:00 p.m. 810 So. 10th Avenue Hanford, Ca. Directions: From Hwy 138 go south on 10th Ave

Uniform: Permanent CDF personnel to wear Class A uniform, Limited Term and Seasonal personnel, clean & serviceable admin or work uniform. Allied agency personnel to wear highest level uniform possible.

At both events the families will arrive in a small procession of apparatus and be greeted by a static display of public safety apparatus and personnel standing at attention. <u>Agencies wishing to participate in these events are requested to RSVP at the below phone numbers & arrive at the recommended times to allow for placement in the static display.</u>

(559) 636-4107 or 4108 8:00 am to 8:00 p.m.